

BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

In the matter of the amendment of) NOTICE OF AMENDMENT
ARM 2.21.6702, 2.21.6703, 2.21.6708,)
and 2.21.6709 pertaining to the)
Incentive Award Program)

TO: All Concerned Persons

1. On March 11, 2010, the department published MAR Notice No. 2-21-427 regarding the proposed amendment of the above-stated rules at page 590 of the 2010 Montana Administrative Register, Issue No. 5.

2. The department has thoroughly considered the comment received. A summary of the comment received and the department's response follows:

COMMENT #1: The department received a suggestion to distinguish and separate the Incentive Award Program to designate one program for the citizens of Montana and one program for employees working within state government.

RESPONSE #1: The department did not make this change. The department is charged to create an employee incentive program in accordance with 2-18-1102, MCA. The eligibility for the award is contained in 2-18-1105, MCA, which states, "an employee, a group or team of employees, or a nonemployee is eligible for an incentive award."

3. The department has amended ARM 2.21.6702, 2.21.6703, 2.21.6708, and 2.21.6709 exactly as proposed.

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Certified to the Secretary of State April 19, 2010.